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Dear Jenny,

Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015: Post-legislative scrutiny

As we celebrate 10 years of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 ("the Act"), I welcome your inquiry into post legislative scrutiny of the Act. I am aware that a need for post-legislative scrutiny of the Act has been acknowledged through reports and debates over recent years.

More recently, the Future Generations Commissioner and the Auditor General for Wales published their statutory reports required under the Act and as part of their recommendations are also seeking a post legislative review. In June, I will be laying the report of the Future Generations Commissioner in the Senedd and alongside this, I will lay a Written Statement providing the Welsh Government's substantive response to both reports.

As part of preparations for a future evaluation of the Act, an Economic and Social Research Council policy fellow joined the Sustainable Futures Division in Welsh Government to design an evaluation of the Act and deliver the first stage of what is likely to be a multi-year evaluation. I expect to consider a report of this work in the Autumn term.

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